

# COMMUNITY NEWS



**LOCAL AUTOMOTIVE DEALER RECOGNIZED FOR YEARS OF SERVICE...**Automobile dealer Jimmy Cook has been recognized twice recently for his 25 years of service as a Chevrolet dealer. The plaque being held by Joey Daniels (left), was presented to Mr. Cook and Cook Chevrolet Inc. recently by General Motors. His leadership of the local Chevrolet dealership began in 1983 and continues today. The plaque and letter being presented above to Jimmy Cook is from GMAC or General Motors Credit for the same 25 years of service. Presenting the award is Dianne Riddle, of Prattville, representing GMAC. Pictured above are four members of the Cook management team and Riddle. They are (from left) Joey Daniels, Wynette Rhodes, Cook, Riddle and Greg Gibson.

## CITY

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\$118,460.54.

Elba Florist owner Chris Foley addressed the council with concerns about the lost parking spaces on the square with the ongoing downtown beautification project. Mayor Grimes told him the city would be monitoring the situation, and if it appeared to be a real problem, steps could be taken to correct the situation. Grimes added that the idea behind the project was to make the downtown more appealing to customers.

City Clerk Wayne Grantham reported that the storm drain work on Brunson Circle is completed and the street is resurfaced and open. He also noted that all the residents have moved from the Beaver Dam Trailer Park, and with the scheduled removal of a storage

trailer this week the park at the North end of the airport would be completely empty.

Grimes indicated there is a business interested in the part of the school behind Tiger Park. Council members agreed to get the property appraised and move forward from that. The mayor said the prospective

buyer would be putting on a new roof and fixing up the side of the building which faces the park.

Grimes also reported success with converting payroll checks to direct deposit. He urged the council members to sign up for their monthly checks to also be paid by direct deposit.

Citations were issued while three DUI charges were revealed. 47 motorists were given warnings for the insurance violations. Four motorists were cited for child restraint violations.

Hanchey added that the diligence of the department officers resulted in three felony arrests, six misdemeanor and six drug arrests. Chief Hanchey explained that

area drivers have gotten extremely lax with obeying the traffic laws, and it has become a danger to pedestrians and other motorists. He added he is confident that this extra effort by the department will remind citizens of the importance of obeying the traffic regulations, and these high numbers will come down drastically in a short time.

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## Elba Elementary School - 3rd Nine Weeks Honor Rolls

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**2nd Grade:** Chassidy Mikayla Barnes, Gavin Rael Caldwell, Susan Marie Clark, Destinee Cambra Cole, Laken Kymmae Cooks, April Rose Coppage, Christie Griffin, Tanner Herrington, Jeremiah Lavotis Jordan, Deatrice Alyssa Kyles, Amy Breanna Latham, Jessica Lewis, Karan Mone Martin, Ariana Nicole Odom, Gavin Matthew Oglesby, Kayla Evonne Seay

**3rd Grade:** Mason Everitt Adkins, Grant Alexander Akridge, Emily Andrews, Tyler Jerome Berry, Haleigh Nicole Boswell, Aaron Wayne Bradley, Kally Michelle Bradley, Quentin Deshaun Bryan, Keondra On shae Burrows, Landon Jay Canley, Payton Madison Chandler, Logan Ray Davis, Mason L. Davis, Logan Lee Duncan, Robert Granberry English, Aquana Fleming, Marcus Talon Flowers, Miguel Gasca, Shyundrea Hammonds, Terabelle Stokes, David Allen Hudson, Charles Nicholas Johnson, Ky-shaundra Jones, Nicholas Rashad Jones, Kelsey L Kelley, Isaiah Rishon Kyles, Raven Lewis, Michaela Scout Meadows, Justin Dewayne Messick, Levi Thomas Morgan, Millevi Claire Nolin, Samoyah Frances Oliver, Mykaeliah Aereona Patterson, Jeron Reese Rogers, Rachel Rebecca Smith, Alexandria Elizabeth Thomas, Shamyia Ashante Thomas, Garian Ware

**4th Grade:** Kenneth Neil Amison, Cara Rochelle Bradshaw, Travis Lee Carr, Broshan Montry Cooks, Sally Alexandra Dawson, Deshaun Edwards, Elijah Oneil Edwards, Brian Channing Free, Amber Leslie Goodwin, Beyonce Gray, Thomas Avery Hanchey, Kenneth Bridge Harrison, James Harold Hudson, Tanner

Christopher Hudson, Magnolia Leann Johnson, Franklin Da-quan Jordan, Robert Clark Logan, Kendra Lashae Maryland, Cammie Athelle McCollough, John Nicholas McHugh, Chase William Moseley, Colon William Skipper, Amanda Erin Smith, John Colanquet Spicer, Cavosasa Diwan Stinson, Austin Jay Watkins, Alberto Ismael Zavala

**5th Grade:** Kristopher Adkins, David Dewayne Ardis Jr., Kendalyn Amor Belcher, Kendall James Brown, Karissa Burks, Reyanta Patrese Caldwell, Elizabeth Farris English, Korious D Foster, Troy Huston Funk, Octavia Alexis Green, Victoria Shayne Greer, Amanda Michelle Grenier, Tiffany Marie Harrison, Emilee Michaela Hudson, Christal Ingberman, Chance Lee Johnson, Crawford Taft Logan, William Griffin Martin, Raheem Sen-telle Newton, Reid Scott Rials, Harley Sanders, Ariel Leann Scott, Nathan Bradley Simpson, Dustin T. Stewart, Lakai-a Marie Shunni Terry, Denzell Deisean Thomas, Brianna LaShae Tyne, Bradley Lamar Weeks, Sarah Paige Weeks

**6th Grade:** Cameron Jamal Arnold, Logan Gregory Bailey, Tyler Wade Bobbitt, Edward Franklin Brunson, Meileigha Onje Burrows, Hollis Trenton Carr, Daniel Benton Cash, Brit-tany Allison Compton, James Westbrock Curtis, Brandon Blake Dawson, Kyson Malik Edwards, Terriyana Goosby, Kelinda Jana Griffin, Siegel Henry Johnson, Venecia Mag-wood, Chancely Elizabeth Mar-ler, Morgan Whitney Matthews, Damon Coley Nel-son, Kaleb Allen Richard, Quinton Elijah Smith, Mary Dean Joseph Lake Foley, Mar-tavious Gray, Damian Ray Hudson, Terrance Lorenzo Humphrey, Torrence Lener Humphrey, Caleb Seth Martin, Zoey Danielle Moore, Tiffany Louise Richards, Billy Joseph Thomas Richardson, Tarah Marie Senn, Dalton Allen Sewell, Michael Quentario Smith, Samuel Vyshaun Smith, Jania Jane Walker, Jakoni Jackson Warren, Katherine Marie White, A.Jaspin Whit-field

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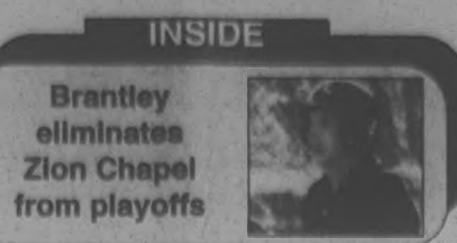
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## During "called" meeting of Coffee County BOE Hiring of new head football coach for New Brockton Gamecocks approved

by Linda Hodge, Editor

During a called meeting Wednesday, April 16, Coffee County Board of Education members approved a handful of personnel matters including the hiring of a new head football coach for New Brockton High School.

Superintendent Dr. Linda Ingram recommended and board members approved the employ-ment of James (Jim) Bob Striplin as the new head football coach for the New Brockton Gamecocks. Board members approved the employ-

ment of Striplin as head foot-ball coach/physical education/health teacher at New Brockton for the 2008-09 school year.

Also during the meeting, Dr. Ingram recommended and board members approved the following certificated personnel matters:

• Accept the resignation of Jennifer Conrad - sixth grade teacher at New Brockton Elementary School, effective May 31, 2008.

• Accept the retirement of Pam Phillips - science teacher at Kinston School, effective

May 31, 2008.

• Employ Karie Striplin - English language arts teacher for grades 7-12/coach at New Brockton High School for the 2008-09 school year.

• Employ Angela Davis - science teacher at Zion Chapel School for the 2008-09 school year.

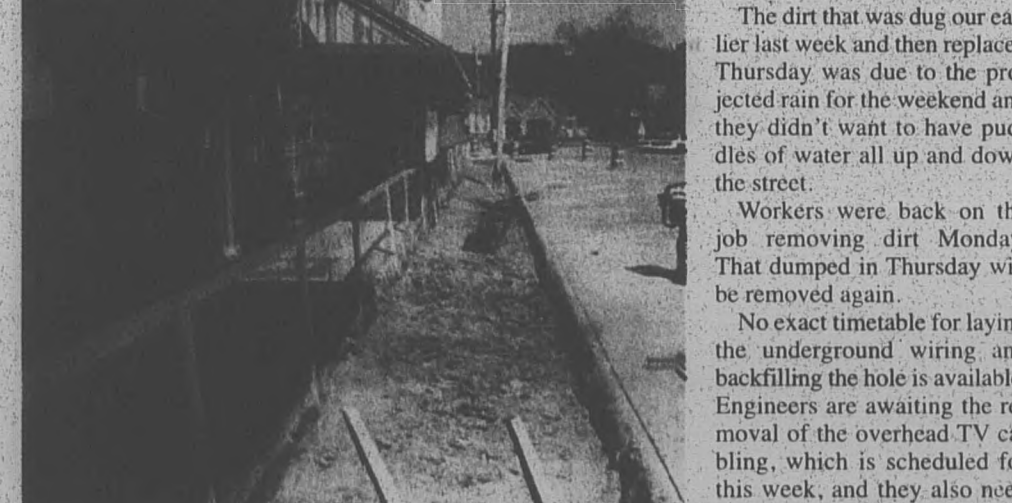
The next regular scheduled meeting for the Coffee County Board of Education will be Tuesday evening, May 6. On that evening, the board also will conduct its annual award/honors program for the 2007-08 school year.



## In regards to Elba's downtown sidewalk project Engineers answer questions about dirt work

by Fern Cox, Publisher

Engineers answering the sidewalk work in downtown Elba responded this week to



This portion of the sidewalk on Simmons Street shows where some of the dirt will be removed to allow for underground work.

## Two local schools plan Band Day for Saturday, April 26th

Raising funds will be the name of the game this Saturday, April 26, when two local schools' band programs host their annual Band Day activities.

The annual Elba High School Band Day will begin Saturday morning at 9 a.m. with a performance by the high school band students. The Band Day activities will be held on the downtown square in Elba and will conclude at approximately 2 p.m.

Band Day is the major fundraiser for the Elba City Schools band program. There will be local entertainment, games and jump-a-roos for children throughout the event. Also this year there will be a silent auction on artwork.

The Elba band boosters will be cooking hamburgers, hot dogs, chicken fingers and funnel cakes to go along with the barbecue plates pre-sold by each band member.

The Miss Pea River pageants are included among the Band Day activities.

The pageants for five age divisions will be at 10 a.m. on the square during Band Day. These age divisions include: Baby Miss (Ages 0-11 months); Tiny Miss (Ages 1-2); Tot Miss (Ages 3-4); Little Miss (Ages 5-6) and Young Miss (Ages 7-9). Attire is Sunday or heirloom dress.

The winners of these age divisions will be asked to stay for the remainder of the Band Day festivities.

Beginning at 6 p.m. that evening, the pageants for three additional age divisions will be held at the Elba High School auditorium. These age divisions include: Junior Miss (Ages 10-12); Teen Miss (Ages 13-15); and Miss Pea River (Ages 16-19). The attire is pageant dress.

Age will be based on contestant's age as of the day of the pageant (April 26). The deadline to enter is Thursday, April 24, at the pageant practice. Entry forms can be brought to practice on April 24th. Practice will be held at 7 p.m. at the Elba High School auditorium beginning with the Tiny Miss category.

Proceeds raised during Elba High School's Band Day 2008 will go towards such things as gas for football games, new instruments, music and many other needs of the Elba band program.

There is no charge to attend Elba's Band Day activities on the square.

The Zion Chapel Rebel Band also will host Band Day this Saturday, April 26. This event will be held at Green Memorial Stadium.

The Zion Chapel High School

**COFFEE COUNTY RECEIVES ALABAMA FARM-CITY AWARDS...**Coffee County Farm City Committee Chairman James Apin, center, accepts the awards for Best Farm-City Dinner and Best Farm-City Scrapbook in Division I during the Alabama Farm-City Awards held Monday, April 14, in Birmingham, Ala. Division I includes counties with populations of 35,000 and greater. Presenting the awards are Alabama Farm-City Chairman J. Paul Till, left, and Alabama Farm-City Federation President Jerry A. Newby, right.

## Elba Rotary Club "golf" fund raiser set for Friday

The Elba Rotary Club is hosting its Second Annual Rotary Golf Scramble on Friday, April 25, at the Elba Country Club.

All proceeds raised from the tournament will be used by the Rotary Club to further support various community service projects in Elba, such as the annual scholarship program benefiting graduating seniors from Elba High School; the "Guns for Kids" project; and the annual contributions to the Rotary Foundation.

A portion of the proceeds will also be going towards the

largest community service project ever taken on by the Elba Rotary Club, the current construction of a Habitat for Humanity home in Elba.

The Elba club is committed to the Rotary motto of "Service Above Self" and through the support of this fundraising effort club members will be able to experience the fulfillment that comes from giving back to the community.

The title sponsor of the tournament will be a four-person scramble, and fee times will start at 8 a.m. and 1 p.m. There is an entry fee per player or per

## UDC honors WWII veterans with Cross of Military Service

The General Edmond Winchester Rucker Chapter of the United Daughters of the Confederacy recently honored two World War II Veterans by awarding them a Cross of Military Service.

This presentation took place at a luncheon celebrating April as Confederate History and Heritage Month. The awards were presented by Shirley Edberg, chapter president, and Reba Blissett, recorder of military crosses.

The Cross of Military Service is presented to "those who by faithful devotion and patriotic military service to country in time of war have exemplified courage and loyalty which reflect honor upon themselves as well as upon their Confederate ancestor." The award is made to those who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States in time of war.

Ben Hur Busbee was presented the WWII Cross of Military Service for his service in the US Navy. Busbee, who attended school in Elba, joined the Navy in 1938 and was serving in the Pacific.

Joe Elma Clark was presented the WWII Cross of Military Service, posthumously, for his participation in the war.

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THE COFFEE COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE will hold its annual spring landscape workshop Tuesday, April 29, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the community room at the Farm Center in New Brockton. Topics and topics are as follows: 6:30-7 p.m. - light supper (pizza); 7-8:30 p.m. - program topics including Container Gardening with Sun Windham; Water Gardening & Using fountains in the landscape with Rachel Dykes; and Using Weed & Feed Fertilizers plus Pesticide Control with David Koon.

THE ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION will sponsor the National Day of Prayer event Thursday, May 1, at noon at Elba City Hall. The theme of this year's event is "Prayer: America's Strength and Shield" and the theme scripture is Psalm 28:7. Everyone is invited to come to the 20-minute event as praise for the Elba churches will offer prayers for the nation.

MISS BRONZE 2008 will be held Saturday, May 17, at Elba High School auditorium. Applications can be received from any Greater Elba member.

Ben Busbee (left) and Mrs. Joe Clark (right)



## EDITORIAL

## Congressional liberals keep voting to raise taxes

Editorial by  
Congressman Terry Everett

Last week, millions of Americans submitted their federal income tax returns to the Internal Revenue Service. As the April 15 deadline passed, I think it's

very safe to say that many of those filers did not walk away feeling they don't pay Uncle Sam enough taxes. Yet, the liberal leadership in Congress wants you to feel guilty about what you pay since apparently it's not enough. What's more, they are working hard to make sure you pay more in the future.

You've heard of April 15, but do you also know the significance of April 23, 2008? April 23 is the 113th day of 2008 and nearly four months since the start of the new year. It's also Tax Freedom Day. It is the point in the year that the average American stops working to pay for all the federal, state and local taxes. According to the non-profit Tax Foundation, Americans work their federal taxes than they work to afford housing (60 days). If Congressional liberals have their way, Tax Freedom Day could come later.

Mr. Steve Allen Falls, age 51, of Opp, Ala., died Thursday, April 17, 2008, at his residence in Opp.

Federal services were held April 20, 2008 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba, Ala., with Rev. Stewart Young officiating. Burial will follow in the Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, Elba with Hayes

While many of you were handing over your hard-earned cash to Uncle Sam last week, the U.S. House of Representatives was actually voting whether or not to allow dramatic new tax increases to occur over the next few years.

In a series of House votes last week, the Democrat leadership voted against Republican attempts to shield the American people from the largest tax increase in American history.

On three separate House votes last week, Democrats blocked Republican measures to stop a record \$683 billion tax increase passed by the House's liberal leadership last month. Congressional liberals have vowed to increase taxes for millions of Americans, from single filers and families to investors and small business owners. Under their plan, 116 million taxpayers would face an average tax increase of \$1,833. In Alabama, the impact is even worse, as the average state taxpayer will get

Just as the economy is in a slow down, liberals would deal a one-two punch to employers, with \$13 billion in higher small business taxes over five years. Small business is America's economic engine and employs the majority of workers. Leave it to the liberals to kick our job providers just when they are struggling to cope with higher operating costs and a slumping economy.

For the House liberals, it's not enough to tax you to death, they also want to tax you after death. They intend to resurrect

the death tax which penalizes families for handing down the family farm or small business to the next generation. This \$181 billion tax increase will also kill jobs as money that would have been used for business payrolls goes to the IRS.

As Congressional liberals continue their long march to raise taxes on working Americans, House conservatives will fight on to enlighten the public to the insanity that is prevailing in their Congress. Although outnumbered, we will not give up the fight to protect your wallet from reckless tax and spend policies.

Mr. Samuel Lamar Donaldson, age 66, of Elba, Ala., died Thursday, April 17, 2008, at his home in Elba.

Federal services were held April 19, 2008 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral in Elba with Rev. Hubert McWaters officiating. Burial will follow in the Richburg Cemetery, Elba, with Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Mr. Donaldson was preceded in death by his mother, Lucille "Dick" Donaldson, and one brother, Robert Donaldson.

Survivors include his wife, Linda Bryan Donaldson, Elba; one daughter, Lorie (husband Justin) Richburg, Glenwood, Ala.; two sisters, Dessiere Weeks, Geneva, Ala.; Louise Spikes, Laurel Hill, Fla.; four brothers: Hubert Donaldson, Geneva, Cecil Donaldson, Crestview, Fla.; Lomax Donaldson, Laurel Hill, Fla.; Bernice Donaldson, Elba; and his father-in-law, John Bryan, Elba.

Funeral services were held April 20, 2008 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba, Ala., with Rev. Stewart Young officiating. Burial will follow in the Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, Elba with Hayes

Funeral Home directing. Survivors include his wife: Margaret Falls, Opp; daughter: Diane Joyce Wood, Enterprise, Ala.; son: Robert Wayne Falls, Opp; his mother, Joyce Bradshaw Falls and father: Dewese Falls, both of Elba; two brothers: Ronald Falls and Marlon Falls, both of Elba.

Susan Taylor Seymore, Mrs. Susan Taylor Seymore, age 49, of Ovidio, Fla., died Monday, April 14, 2008, in Orlando, Fla.

Susan was born Oct. 28, 1958 in Enterprise, Ala., and moved to Orlando in 1981. A Celebration of Life Memorial Service was held April 17, 2008 at the First Baptist Church in Ovidio, A Grave-side service was held April 19, 2008 at Evergreen Cemetery in Elba, Ala. Hayes Funeral Home of Elba was in charge of the local arrangements.

Donations in memory of Susan may be made to the Missions Program at First Baptist Church of Ovidio, 45 W. Broadway St., Ovidio, FL

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## BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

The news is filled every day with the horrors of homeowners who are victims of some of these fancy mortgage gimmicks which seem to make borrowing money a whole lot cheaper, but come back to haunt borrowers and/or push lots of the property into foreclosure. Yet we continue to see these advertisements on the internet offering "\$180,000 mortgage for under \$699/month! If you can find interest in the 4.5% range, then this is the mortgage these folks are offering. Never mind that you read where someone else bought that bill of goods last year and are now facing 10% or 11% interest rates or else. The sad thing is that some unsuspecting person wanting to give his or her family something better, will still fall for this trap and wind up with the shocker of a bill and/or a foreclosure notice.

Monday a financial advice web site sported a story advising investors that the recession is over and to grab all the Wall Street stock one could afford. Well that is what the headline said, we didn't read the story. Then scrolling down the screen a bit uncovered the stock market report for the day and . . . stocks were down again! That "expert" is probably on vacation today, if not out looking for a job sweeping floors.

Monday we got several e-mail messages slamming Republican Senator John McCain and his campaign for president. These were from Alabama Democrat Party spokespersons and of course such is expected in American politics. The sad thing is that they can't seem to find real things to complain about with McCain . . . gosh we could, all humans have some faults! Anyway they are making fun of his visiting the Black Belt counties in Alabama and attending "big fund raising rallies". We think it would be smart for a politician to visit the Black Belt, the Wiregrass, North Alabama, etc. So that winning falls flat. Then they talk about "big fund raisers", . . . oops careful about living in a glass house and throwing stones. McCain has raised about a third of the total money of Barack Obama (Obama's total for the campaign exceeds a whopping \$235 million). Obama raised \$55 million in February and another \$41 million in March. . . . all these are numbers released by his camp. Hillary Clinton raised \$20 million in March and while she falls short of Obama monthly and overall, she far exceeds anything McCain has raised. So again, give us something believable and we can help you carry the banner. Don't continue to insult our intelligence with old used, worn out political crap and expect to be embraced.

A publisher friend of ours was in the hospital last week and his doctor agreed to write a guest editorial since he had put the normal editorial writer in the hospital. Quite an interesting guy. Anyway, according to the doctor's own records, friend Hollis is on his 58th bout with a kidney stone! The doctor acknowledged first hand that they can be rather painful. He added (from his personal experience) that there is a lot of truth in the statement that if a man was required to have a kidney stone every time his wife had a baby, there would be a lot more one child families in this world! We have been down that road twice in the past 40 years or so and understand what a man or woman means when describing a kidney stone as "It hurts real bad". . . but 58 times . . . no way!

## Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, April 14, 2008, investigated the following incidents: five for harassment, three for theft of property, two for burglary, one for cruelty to animals, three for harassing communications, one for possession of drug paraphernalia, one for domestic violence, one for found property, one for breaking and entering a motor vehicle and one for assault.

The following arrests were made: one for minor in possession of tobacco, one for harassment, one for possession of drug paraphernalia, one for domestic violence and one for theft of property.

Traffic citations issued during the week were as follows: nine for not wearing a seat belt, five for no proof of insurance, one for running a red light, two for a suspended driver's license, thirteen for speeding, three for improper equipment, one for no insurance and one for driver's license not in possession.

Daily activity highlights were as follows:  
MONDAY, APRIL 14 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 5955 County Rd. 114 (10:42 p.m.).

TUESDAY, APRIL 15 - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 926 Brookdale Ave. (8:24 a.m.); Provler reported at 223 County Rd. 501 (8:52 a.m.).

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Survivors include his wife, Linda Bryan Donaldson, Elba; one daughter, Lorie (husband Justin) Richburg, Glenwood, Ala.; two sisters, Dessiere Weeks, Geneva, Ala.; Louise Spikes, Laurel Hill, Fla.; four brothers: Hubert Donaldson, Geneva, Cecil Donaldson, Crestview, Fla.; Lomax Donaldson, Laurel Hill, Fla.; Bernice Donaldson, Elba; and his father-in-law, John Bryan, Elba.

Funeral services were held April 20, 2008 from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba, Ala., with Rev. Stewart Young officiating. Burial will follow in the Hillcrest Memorial Gardens, Elba with Hayes

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Survivors include his wife: Margaret Falls, Opp; daughter: Diane Joyce Wood, Enterprise, Ala.; son: Robert Wayne Falls, Opp; his mother, Joyce Bradshaw Falls and father: Dewese Falls, both of Elba; two brothers: Ronald Falls and Marlon Falls, both of Elba.

SUSAN TAYLOR SEYMORE  
Mrs. Susan Taylor Seymore, age 49, of Ovidio, Fla., died Monday, April 14, 2008, in Orlando, Fla.

Susan was born Oct. 28, 1958 in Enterprise, Ala., and moved to Orlando in 1981. A Celebration of Life Memorial Service was held April 17, 2008 at the First Baptist Church in Ovidio, A Grave-side service was held April 19, 2008 at Evergreen Cemetery in Elba, Ala. Hayes Funeral Home of Elba was in charge of the local arrangements.

Donations in memory of Susan may be made to the Missions Program at First Baptist Church of Ovidio, 45 W. Broadway St., Ovidio, FL

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32765 or the Good News Jail and Prison Ministry, 211 Bush Blvd., Sanford, FL 32733. She was preceded in death by her father, William Hayward Taylor; and her brother, Bill Taylor.

Survivors include her husband Rick, daughter Jessica (Bradshaw), all of Enterprise; six brothers: David McClain, Albany, NY, Benny McClain (Gloria Jean), Samson, MC McClain (Mary Frances), Willie McClain, Ray Charles McClain and Randy McClain (Janice), all of Enterprise; and eight grandchildren: Keanthony, Jaelyn, William, Breanna, Jaron, Keon, Jonisha and Dynasty.

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# LIFESTYLES

## NEWS AMONG OUR SERVICE FOLKS

CHRISTOPHER L. HALE

Christopher L. Hale has joined the United States Army under the Delayed Entry Program. The program gives young men and women the opportunity to delay entering active duty for up to one year.

The enlistment gives the new soldier the option to learn a new skill, travel and become eligible to receive as much as \$50,000 toward a college education.

After completion of basic military training, soldiers receive advanced individual training in their career job specialty prior to being assigned to their first permanent duty station.

The recruit qualifies for a \$15,000 enlistment bonus.

Hale, a 2003 graduate of Lufkin High School, Ala., has reported to Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo., for basic training in April 2008.

He is the son of Cynthia L. Jones of County Road 553, Elba, Ala., and Perry E. Hale of Carroll St., Prattville, Ala.



Pictured front row: Nancy Harrison and Debra Coon; back row: Jeff, Tina, and Matthew Walker, Julie Walker, Rena Johnson Reeves, and Rebecca Harrison.

## Johnson cousins reunite recently in Texas

Debra Coon Rivera, Elba, Ala., and Rebecca Harrison, Panama City, Fla., flew to Austin, TX, on April 5, 2008 for a week visit with their Texas relatives. Nancy Harrison Harris, Rebecca's sister, met them at the airport and surprised them with the first stop at their aunt Rena Johnson Reeves. After lots of hugs and catching up on the families, they traveled north to Tow, Texas, home of Buddy and Nancy Harris on Lake Buchanan. Another great surprise met them at the door when Jason Holloway (Nancy's youngest son) came in from San Antonio, Texas, for the weekend.

An excursion down the Colorado River with Buddy at the helm, became a daily treat for the ladies to watch beautiful sunsets. On Sunday, Jeff, Tina, and Matthew Walker came out to exchange family stories and see their cousins. Matthew caught the biggest fish of the day but it was still too small to keep.

Nancy, Rebecca, and Debra spent the first part of their week visiting Marble Falls, Texas, and other small towns in North Texas. Some of the highlights of the trip were: an Eagle nest with two "mated" Eagles on in the middle of the country, beautiful flowers, trees, and cacti growing out of the limestone, antique shops, and playing Mexican dominoes. The end of the week was spent at Aunt Rena's and her great home cooking. Julie Walker came over and shared memories of her mother, Pat Reeves Clayton.

One of the greatest enjoyments for Debra was talking with her Great-Aunt Rena and tracing the family tree as could only have been discovered thanks to her. Rena has the original J.W. Johnson Bible which gave so many original spellings of birth names and important dates unknown before now. John Wesley Johnson married Fartha Malley Cole on March 19, 1882. One of their children, Sarah Larretter (known as Rheta Johnson) married Louis Love Johnson on September 6, 1906, and had Rosa (Debra's grandmother), Vonelle, Orville, Ray, Madeline, and Orville. Rena Johnson Reeves, 87, Austin, TX, and Rosa Johnson Coon, 100, Elba, Ala., are the only two surviving children.

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**S.E. Alabama Beekeepers to meet May 1st**  
The Southeast Alabama Beekeepers Association will hold its monthly meeting on the 1st of May 2008 at 7 P.M. at the Coffee County Farm Center. Anyone interested in the honey bee is welcome to attend. For more information call Al Liepins at 334-566-7340 or Jerry Whitaker at 334-894-2077.

## Pine Level Reunion to be Saturday, April 26th

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Emily Park

## Emily Park receives honor and recognition at UAH

Emily Park, an elementary education major, is the Department of Education 2008 outstanding student. She is one of an elite group of academically talented students who is enrolled in the UAH Honors Program. While completing the extensive program for an elementary education major, Emily also developed two major research projects integrating her knowledge of children's literature with her passion for music.

First was the development of an extensive data base of showing cross-curricular connections of children's books that have a music focus. She has been encouraged to publish this work. Second was an extensive research study exploring the music-literacy connection. Both interdisciplinary projects confirmed Emily's ability as scholar and practitioner.

In addition to excelling as an honor student, Emily is the current President of Kappa Delta Pi, the education honor society, and a member of Phi Kappa Phi. Currently, Emily is exhibiting that same sense of dedication to her student teaching as she has to every element of her college career. Her university supervisor says that Emily "brings to the classroom a positive outlook on life and exuberance for sharing her love of learning." Her cooperating teachers say that "Emily went above and beyond to find creative ways to bring her lessons to life for students, often using music to introduce lessons, and make concepts more concrete. She continues, "I would welcome the opportunity to have Emily as a colleague."

The Department of Education is pleased to present her with this gift as the 2007-2008 "Leader and Professional."

Emily Park is the daughter of Beverly and Shop Park of Brownsboro, Alabama and the granddaughter of Helen and Lamar (deceased) Rainer of Elba.

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# CHURCH & AREA NEWS

## Bethany Baptist Church Homecoming will be observed on Sunday, April 27

Bethany Baptist Church Homecoming will be held on April 27, 2008 at 10:00 A.M. Rev. Lane Harris will deliver the message will deliver by Message by Rev. Lane Harris. Music will be led by Matt Gincy.

## Community Brotherhood Breakfast to be held at First Baptist Church

The Community Brotherhood Breakfast will be held at First Baptist Church Elba on Saturday, May 3 at 8:00 A.M.

## Shiloh Baptist Church to host Rainbow Supper, Saturday, April 26th

Shiloh Baptist Church Rainbow Supper will be held at Shiloh Baptist Church on Saturday, April 26, 2008 at 5 p.m. The speaker for the event will be Katrina Arnold. Music will be provided by the church choir.

## Camp Victory to hold Family Day on May 3rd

Camp Victory will hold Family Day on May 3, 2008. This will be a day of fun and fellowship and everyone is invited. Sign in will be from 9:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m., camp activities will be open from 9:30-11:45, lunch will be served at 12 noon.

## The Elba Ministerial Association to sponsor National Day of Prayer event on Thursday, May 1st

The Elba Ministerial Association will sponsor the National Day of Prayer event on May 1st at noon at Elba City Hall. The theme of this year's event is "Prayer! America's Strength and Shield!" and the theme is "Prayer! America's Strength and Shield!"

## Gospel Concert set for April 26 at Vanderbilt Holiness Church

Vanderbilt Holiness Church will be having a Gospel Concert with "The Gospel Family" on April 26, 2008 starting at 6:00 P.M. Church is located on Coffee County Route 114 about one (1) mile past Wayne Farms.

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April 28-May 2, 2008

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<b>Wednesday</b> - Breakfast Sausage, Cereal, Juice, Milk	<b>Wednesday</b> - Chicken, Corn, Fries, Lettuce, Tomato, Dill Pickles, Applesauce, Milk
<b>Thursday</b> - Biscuit w/Jelly, Sausage, Cereal, Juice, Milk	<b>Thursday</b> - Corn, Turnips, Macaroni & Cheese, Cornbread, 1/2 Apple, Milk
<b>Friday</b> - Cheese Grits, Toast & Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk	<b>Friday</b> - Chicken Nuggets, Potato Salad, Black-eyed Peas, Roul Fruit Cocktail, Milk

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Keep our Courts Out of a collision Help them to render A fair decision

Help our schools To be equal in the system Keep them straight And be with them

Instruct our Preachers To preach the Word Preach from the Bible Not from the Head

Enable our government To always be fair Help them to realize You're always there

Our youth are our future For all to see Help them to be All they can be

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## SPORTS

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## THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Last week's cool weather had the Mularz girls digging back out their winter coats, and even though the temperatures warmed up nicely by the weekend, Melanie still had the cool weather in mind and pulled out an old pair of blue jeans for a trip with Dad to a high school baseball game on Saturday. I wore shorts and was comfortable, and did notice that Melanie had her jeans rolled up by the middle of the game as we sat in the afternoon sun. This weather is more than just a little crazy!

## FOR WHAT IT IS WORTH....

\*\*\* The Elba Tigers closed the baseball season with an 8-16 record last week with two losses in the opening round of the 3A state playoffs. The Tigers hit the ball well in both games and could have easily carried the series into Saturday, but left runners on base in every inning and made some costly errors that made it easy for Mobile Christian to win in game two and advance to the second round. Elba seemed to struggle getting a key hit in a crucial situation all season long and made more than enough errors for three seasons, much less one, and both weaknesses proved fatal in too many games to count. The Tigers lost only two seniors and should be solid next season. However, the seniors were probably the team's best hitter and best pitcher. So, there will be holes to fill if they are going to improve.

\*\*\* The Elba Lady Tigers will host their second annual high school softball tournament this weekend at Hawkins-Williams Park, and it looks like quite an event with nine teams coming to compete in the two-day tournament. There will be three games on all three fields Friday night as the teams compete in pool play, while on Saturday morning there will be games on all three fields for two rounds and then the event will move to one field and crown a champion. With a total of 17 games scheduled for the two days there should be more than enough softball for just about anyone to watch.

The youth baseball and softball seasons are underway and the highways are staying busy as the various teams travel across Coffee County, Crenshaw County, Geneva County and Dale County heading to their games. While the travel can get a little long and expensive at times, the experience of playing at different parks will be a huge advantage as the youngsters get older, and the kids can always take a nap on the way home while Mom or Dad does the driving.

\*\*\* The high school baseball playoffs opened last week and locally only the Brantley Bulldogs are still alive after a weekend of action. The third-ranked Bulldogs were pushed to a third game at home by eighth-ranked Zion Chapel, and this week the 'Dogs will hit the road as they try to keep their hopes alive of a trip to Montgomery, New Brockton and Zion Chapel both saw their seasons end. However, both had very good years on the diamond and are to be commended for their hard work and dedication to the sport. To make the playoffs is a feat, and one that in the years to come will be fun to look back and talk about.

\*\*\* In closing... I talked with a big Alabama football fan last week and he said that when Coach Nick Saban was asked about the Tide's 42-quarterback response was "We don't have one." I have been a Tide fan for years and have seen some very ordinary quarterbacks at times, but until the Tide gets a true college quarterback that can get the job done the wins won't come nearly often enough to satisfy many Bama fanatics. I know John Parker Wilson will be a senior and has been around for a while, but he has gone through three different offensive coordinators the past three seasons and has shown very little under each.

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## In 3A baseball playoffs

## Elba Tigers go two and out

The Elba Tigers saw their season come to a close Friday afternoon in the opening round of the Class 3A high school baseball playoffs with a doubleheader loss to the Mobile Christian Leopards, in Daphne.

"It wasn't hard to figure out what happened," said Elba's Coach Mike Buckelew after the opening round defeat, "Mobile Christian made the plays and we didn't. Maybe the late season struggles we encountered will help make us a better team next season and make the team realize what it will take to be winners. We had only two seniors. So, hopefully all the players coming back will work hard and dedicate themselves to turning things back around and becoming a winning team."

The two losses left the Tigers with a final record of 8-16, while the sixth-ranked Leopards upped their record to 21-4 with the wins and will advance to second round action this weekend.

In the opening game, Mobile Christian used aggressive base running to take command in the middle innings and rolled to a 10-4 win. Don Rhoades (4-6) took the loss for the Tigers on the mound and allowed 10 hits with 2 strikeouts, while Dylan McCollough came to the mound in relief and allowed no hits with 2 strikeouts. Phillip Talbot (8-2) was the winning pitcher as he pitched all seven innings and allowed seven hits with seven strikeouts.

Justin Mallory ripped an RBI double in the top of the first game as the Tigers an early 1-0 lead and scored in the second on an



SAFE AT SECOND... Elba Tiger Don Rhoades slides in ahead of the throw at second base in recent high school baseball action. The Tigers were eliminated from the state playoffs last week with a doubleheader loss to Mobile Christian in the opening round.

(Mike Cupps photo)

error off the bat of Colton Vaughan as Elba jumped ahead 2-0 in the second. Mobile Christian plated three runs in its half of the inning to take a 3-2 lead, but the Tigers quickly answered in the third and pulled even at 3-3 on an RBI off the bat of Dylan McCollough.

The Leopards connected for their second homerun of the game in the bottom of the inning and added five runs to grab an 8-3 advantage. However, the Tigers again came back swinging and cut the lead to 8-4 in the fourth when Kyle Pope scored on a fielder's choice by Don Rhoades.

Mobile Christian added two

runs in the bottom of the fourth to extend its lead to 10-4, 2-0 lead. Mobile Christian added two runs in the fifth to up its lead to 4-0 and appeared in charge. However, the Tigers got on the scoreboard in the bottom of the fifth and plated three runs to pull within 4-3. Back-to-back RBIs by Don Rhoades and Richard Cooks sparked the Elba rally, while Bradley Wilson added a two-out, RBI single to help the Tigers pull within one run.

A series of Elba errors allowed Mobile Christian to regain command in the top of the seventh and the Tigers failed to rally as they took the 8-3 loss and saw their season draw to a close.

Garrett Kyser had 4 hits to lead Elba at the plate, while Richard Cooks had 3 hits, including a double and one RBI. Bradley Wilson added 2 hits, including a double and one RBI, and Don Rhoades also belted a double.

(Mike Cupps photo)

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## \*\*\* Baseball \*\*\*

**Kinston closes season with 5-3 loss to Samson**  
The Kinston Bulldogs closed out their season last week with a 5-3 loss to Samson. The Bulldogs fell behind 4-0 early, but rallied and cut the lead to 4-2 in the sixth when Matt Whigham doubled, moved to third on a single by John Moss and scored on an RBI single by Nick Weeks, and Moss later scored on a Samson error. Whigham added an RBI double in the seventh, but the Bulldogs got no closer and took the 5-3 loss.

**New Brockton edges past Arton Purple Cats 7-6**  
The New Brockton Gamecocks claimed a big regular season win last Tuesday afternoon by getting past the Arton Purple Cats 7-6. Nathan Foster was the winning pitcher and also scored 3 runs, while Shane Addison led the Gamecocks at the plate with 3 hits, including a homerun, and 3 RBIs. Trey Knight added 2 hits, including a homerun, and knocked in 2 runs.

**Zion Chapel Rebels split with Samson Tigers**  
The Zion Chapel Rebels and Samson Tigers tangled last Monday afternoon in a battle of playoff participants and split the doubleheader with Samson winning the opener 6-5 and Zion Chapel taking game two 11-2. In the first game Matt Brunson and John Adam Hill to give the Bulldogs a quick 1-0 lead in the top of the first, while Zion Chapel answered quickly and pulled even in the bottom of the inning when Matt Brunson drew a walk, stole second and scored on an RBI single by Joey Jones. A double by the Bulldogs' Chris Walker and an RBI single by Jared Hall put Brantley back on top 2-1 in the second, and the Bulldogs added three runs in the third as they built a 5-1 advantage. A walk to Stephen Walker opened the door for the Bulldogs in the third, while a single by Chase Haws and a Rebel error allowed Walker to score and scored on an RBI single by Chase Hall to up the Brantley lead to 4-1, while Hall later scored on an error off the bat of Chris Walker as the Bulldogs' lead grew to 5-1 in the top of the third inning.

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Following are highlights of the three-game series:  
**Zion Chapel 4 Brantley 3**  
The Zion Chapel Rebels scored two runs in the fourth inning to take a two-run lead and made it hold up as they stunned the third-ranked Brantley Bulldogs 4-3, in the opening game of the series on Friday afternoon.

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The game remained tied at 1-1 until the top of the fourth, when Zion Chapel plated two runs to grab a 3-1 advantage. Joe Davis was hit by a pitch and later scored on an RBI double by Garrett Stinson for the Rebels' first run of the inning, while Kasey Grantham added an RBI single to drive in Stinson as the Rebels regained the lead.

Brantley pulled to within 3-2 in the fifth when Anthony Guiley reached on a fielder's choice and came around to score on a stolen base, a wild pitch and a fielder's choice. However, Zion Chapel added to its lead in the seventh and moved on top 4-2 when Matt Brunson delivered a key two-out single, moved around to third on an error and scored on an RBI single by John Wayne Lambert.

Brantley refused to go down quietly and made plenty of noise in the bottom of the inning, only to come up one run short. A leadoff single by Westley Spivey gave the Bulldogs hopes of a late rally, and the Bulldogs pulled within 4-3 when Spivey scored on a sacrifice fly by Adam Hill. Brantley had the tying run on base after an infield single by Anthony Guiley, but failed to score, and Zion Chapel celebrated the win 4-3.

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(Mike Cupps photo)

open the inning when a towering pop up was dropped in the infield, and moved to second base when a throw to first sailed against the dugout. Chris Walker followed with an RBI double to drive in Guiley, while Stephen Walker was hit by a pitch to put runners on first and second with no outs. Chase Haws delivered an RBI double and Jared Hall followed with an RBI single as the Bulldogs' lead grew to 6-2, and Roy-L Knighton doubled down the third base line to drive in Haws with fourth run of the inning. Hall scored on a sacrifice fly by Adam Hill, and heading into the bottom of the fifth Brantley had blown the game open and owned a big 8-2 lead.

Brantley's lead went to 9-2 in the sixth on a double by Stephen Walker and an RBI single by Chase Haws, but the Rebels showed signs of life in the bottom of the inning and plated one run on singles by Joey Jones and Joe Davis and an RBI single by Garrett Stinson. Zion Chapel had runners on second and third with only one out, but failed to add to its total and trailed 9-3 heading into the seventh.

Adam Hill singled and later scored on an RBI single by Chase Hall to push the Brantley lead to 10-3 in the top of the seventh. However, Zion Chapel refused to go down without a fight and threw a scare into the Bulldogs in the bottom of the frame.

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## SPORTS

## YOUTH BASEBALL &amp; SOFTBALL RESULTS

## \* COACH-PITCH BASEBALL \*

**Diamondbacks 14 Blue Jays 4** – The Diamondbacks broke loose late to roll past the Blue Jays 14-4. Jeremiah Jordan, Tanner Herrington and Gavin Caldwell all scored 3 runs to lead the Diamondbacks, while Mason Akridge, Chandler Coppage and Levi Camley all scored 2 runs and Cedric Benton and Ben Curtis both scored 1 run. Avery Webster scored 3 runs for the Blue Jays and Dylan Booser scored 1 run.

**Pirates 12 Diamondbacks 11** – The Pirates scored late to down the Diamondbacks 12-11. Kaleb Walden and Kendrick Jordan both scored 3 runs for the Pirates, while Hudson Wise and Jessie Smith both scored 2 runs and Luke Hickman, Peyton Smith and Tony Daniels all scored 1 run. Tanner Herrington and Gavin Caldwell both scored 3 runs for the Diamondbacks, while Jeremiah Jordan, Mason Akridge, Levi Camley, Ben Curtis and Jalen Hooks all scored 1 run.

**Orioles 12 Diamondbacks 5** – The Orioles led all the way to defeat the Diamondbacks 12-5. Jake Kilcrease, Adrian Person and Cade Kilcrease all scored 3 runs for the Orioles, while D'Monte Mitchell scored 2 runs and Seth Daniels scored 1 run. Jeremiah Jordan scored 2 runs for the Diamondbacks, while Tanner Herrington, Gavin Caldwell and Chandler Coppage all scored 1 run.

**Dixie Darlings Softball 13-1** – Amasia Whitfield, Abbi Smith and Lakin Cocks all scored 3 runs for the Thunder, while Willow Johnson and Rachel Smith both scored 2 runs. Kendra Kyles scored 1 run for the Heat.

**Dixie PONYTAILS Softball 13-1** – Kinston jumped ahead early and never looked back to down Zion Chapel Red 16-1. Names were not available.

**Kinston 7 Zion Chapel Black 5** – Kinston scored late to rally past Zion Chapel Black. No names were available.

**Brantley 2 Zion Chapel Red 2** – Brantley and the Zion Chapel Red battle to a 2-2 tie in a game stopped due to curfew. Peyton Hill and Kelsey Hill both scored 1 run to lead Brantley, while Heidi McCleod and Faith Dewberry both scored 1 run for the Zion Chapel Red.

**Dixie Angels Softball 25-0** – Kinston used 24 walks to walk past the Zion Chapel Red Hot Rebels 25-0. No names were available from Kinston. Scoring 1 run for the Red Hot Rebels were Madison Baker, Savannah Wilkerson, Emily Patrick, Courtney Watts, Hailey Finger, Emily Bell and Elizabeth Stanton.

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## \* DIXIE YOUTH BASEBALL \*

**Elba Yankees 7 Samson 5** – The Elba Yankees rallied late to defeat Samson 7-5. Dalton Sewell had 2 hits and scored 2 runs to lead the Yankees, while J. Cole Spicer, Avery Hanchey and Dontavious Williams all added 2 hits and scored 1 run. Braxton Robinson had 1 hit and scored 1 run and Kenneth Neil Amison, Clark Logan and Rob English all added 1 hit. Reid Dawson and Grant Simmons both had 2 hits for Samson and Jon Wise, Wes Davis, Alex Johnson, Ty Mock, Lee Davis and Trey Davis all added 1 hit.

**Elba Braves 12 Samson 5** – The Elba Braves broke loose late to claim a wild 12-5 win over Samson. Hayden Diotell had 3 hits and scored 2 runs to lead the Braves, while Kysen Edwards had 3 hits and scored 1 run and Damon Nelson and Griffin Martin both had 2 hits and scored 2 runs. Logan Bailey had 2 hits and scored 1 run, Nick Green, Sage Johnson and John Gray all had 1 hit and scored 1 run, and Caleb McCollough, Ryan Hartman, Chris Mock and Jeremy Cookley all had 2 hits, and Jared Hall, Zack Magwood and Weston Smith all had 1 hit.

**Elba Marlins 12 Zion Chapel Gray 3** – The Elba Marlins led all the way to down the Zion Chapel Gray 12-3. Talon Flowers had 2 hits and scored 3 runs to lead the Marlins, while Quan Jordan added 2 hits and scored 1 run and Johnny McHugh, Nick Johnson and Colton Gilley all added 1 hit and scored 1 run. Dylan Tillis, Brian Smith, Sheldon Hudson and Isaiah Harvey all had 2 hits for Zion Chapel, while Chase Peoples and Cody Driver both had 1 hit.

**Elba Cardinals 16 Zion Chapel Gray 4** – The Elba Cardinals led all the way to defeat the Zion Chapel Gray 16-4. Justin Pope, Ty Stewart, Brandon Beck and Denzel Thomas all had 2 hits and scored 2 runs to lead the Cardinals, while Kendall Brown added 2 hits, Matt Winters, Jerret Johnson and Sequoyah Jordan all had 2 hits for Zion Chapel, while Dillon Shackelford, Justin Kidd and Aaron McCollough all had 1 hit and scored 1 run.

**Samson Gold 10 Elba Dodgers 3** – The Samson Gold rallied late to down the Elba Dodgers 10-3. Andrew Wilker-

son had 3 hits and scored 2 runs to lead Samson, while Jonah Bain, Zach Grover and Austin Magwood all added 2 hits and scored 1 run. Austin Watkins, Troy Funk and Landon Camley all had 2 hits for the Dodgers, while Isaiah Kyles, Levi Morgan and Will Jones all added 1 hit and scored 1 run.

**Elba Cardinals 6 Arton 6** – The Elba Cardinals and Arton battled to a 6-6 tie. Cobe Goosby and Garrett Smith both had 2 hits and scored 1 run to lead the Cardinals, while Chance Johnson and Stefaun Caldwell both added 1 hit and scored 1 run and Kendall Brown had 1 hit. Patrick Smith had 3 hits and scored 1 run to lead Arton, while Avery Hatway added 2 hits, Clay Moss added 1 hit and scored 2 runs, and Brady Smith and Ben Nelson both had 1 hit and scored 1 run.

**Dixie Boys Baseball 8 Kinston 5** – Brantley staged a late rally to get past Kinston 8-5. Clint Free had 2 hits, including a homerun, and scored 2 runs to lead Brantley, while Cassius Tillis added 2 hits and scored 1 run, Matthew Holmes added 1 hit and scored 2 runs and Cameron Morgan added 1 hit. Kaleb Mack had 2 hits to lead Kinston, while Mason Davis, Dillon Rodgers, Dallas Dean and Cody Donaldson all added 1 hit and scored 1 run, and Chris Kunkle added 1 hit.

**Elba 8 Brantley Green 2** – Elba pulled ahead early and never looked back to defeat the Brantley Green 8-2. Austin Johnson and Chace Sauls both had 2 hits and scored 2 runs to lead Elba, while Hayes Spicer added 2 hits and scored 1 run. Jake Camley added 2 hits, and Austin Money had 1 hit and scored 1 run. Austin Morgan

had 2 hits to lead Brantley, while Andrew Lowery had 1 hit and scored 1 run and Clint Kilcrease added 1 hit.

**New Brockton 2 Elba 1** – New Brockton survived a bases-loaded jam in the final inning to edge past Elba 2-1. Brandon Farnon had 3 hits to lead New Brockton, while Brackin Hutto and Chris Green both added 2 hits and Kyle Kelley and Adam Bryant both had 1 hit, apiece. Gunnar McCollough, Dylan Seay and Austin Money all had 1 hit for Elba, while Chace Sauls scored Elba's only run.

**Brantley White 13 Kinston 6** – The Brantley White used a seven-run fourth inning to get past Kinston 13-6. Cassius Tillis and Matthew Holmes both had 3 hits and scored 2 runs to lead Brantley, while Jonathan Williamson, Taylor Driggers and Austin Arranger all added 2 hits and scored 2 runs. Cameron Morgan and Clint Free both had 1 hit and scored 1 run. Tucker Weeks had 2 hits and scored 2 runs to lead Kinston, while Chris Kunkle added 2 hits and scored 1 run. Mason Davis had 1 hit and scored 1 run, and Dallas Dean and Cody Donaldson both added 1 hit.

**Brantley Green 9 Coffee County Storm 5** – The Brantley Green rallied late to ease past the Coffee County Storm 9-5. Andrew Lowery had 3 hits and scored 3 runs to lead Brantley, while Clint Kilcrease added 3 hits, including a homerun, and scored 1 run. Taylor Tew added 2 hits and scored 2 runs. Austin Morgan and Jud Owens both added 1 hit and scored 1 run, and Justin Arnold and Nathan Morgan both added 1 hit. Cole Dean and Shane Sheffield both had 2 hits to lead the Storm, while Tyler Bowers had 1 hit and scored 1 run.

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

## Kinston Elementary A Honor Roll.....

**Kinston Elementary 3rd Nine Weeks A Honor Roll**

**Grade 1:** Julianna Adkinson, Mackenzie Faith Chamblee, Hunter Scott Davis, Brock Lamar Fleming, Emily Suzanne Floyd, Kathryn Rose Free, Tyler J Ghesani, Daniel Gregory Hataway, Harley Kendall Norris, Chae Linh Phan, Benjamin Bret Rogers, Tanner Lee Stephens, Joseph Grant Thornton, Steven Logan Wyatt

**Grade 2:** Meredith Grace Bell, Sierra Renee Carpenter, Madison Nicole Courson, Kennedy Jacob Cowen, Cody Benoit Davis, Lane Bridger Davis, Braxton Berlyn Donaldson,

Grayson Stuart Fleming, Jillian Paige Floyd, Hagen Bryant Hall, Brett Michael Hataway, Baylee Elizabeth Holley, Justin Drake Lee, Annie Grace Mixon, Maci Delayne Morris, Dylan Scott Moulton, Carolyn Faye Norton, Mi Lan Janee Phan, Matthew Eric Reeves, Kaitlyn Marie Sauter, Alexis Skye Smith, Tristen Nicholas Tindell, Billy Dalton Warren, Morgan Lee Windham

**Grade 3:** Corey Daniel Camley, Samuel Talmage Coale, Devin Tyler Cramblet, Alison Paige Glass, Destinee Paige Harrison, Afron Tate Smith, Whitney Diane Thornton, Victoria Brianne Weeks, Alexandria Paige Wiggins

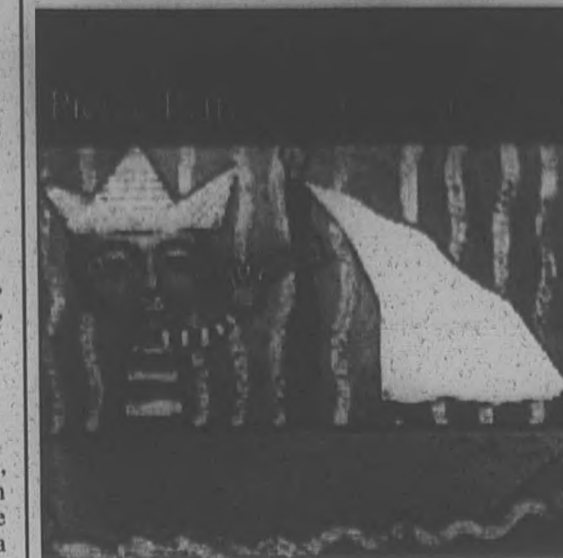
**Grade 4:** Krista Ellen Adkinson, Lake Kade Clark, Jodi LeAnne Farris, Michael Adam Floyd, Caroline Victoria Hataway, Ashton Anne Holley, Anna Lanell Lawson, Kelli Marie Mack, Zachary Dillon Mack, Amanda Joyce Reeves, Zackery Taylor Smith, Mikayla Skye Wambles

**Grade 5:** Noah Kyle Camley, Thomas Jim Glass, Marley Shaye Jacobs, Benjamin James Nelson, Lauren Nicole Bristow, Dylan Wayne Rhodes, Lukas Clayton Taylor, Karoline Marie Thornton

**Grade 6:** Kelsey Paige Camley, Caitlin Michele Cooper, Lindsey Ann Marie Crohn,

## Notice to Elba High School Classes of 43, 44 &amp; 45

The Elba High School classes of 1943, 1944, and 1945 will hold a class reunion on April 26 at 11:30 a.m. at Barnhills Restaurant in Troy. There will be no program, just good food and fellowship.



Alabama born, Pierce Pettis has spent 21 years crafting songs full of insight, imagination, and emotion, often drawing on the imagery and landscape of his boyhood in the American South. During his long career Pierce Pettis has been a writer at Music Share Sound Studio in Alabama, recorded for Fast Folk Musical Magazine in New York, won the prestigious New Folk competition for songwriting at the Kersville Folk Festival in Texas, and was a staff songwriter at Polygram and Universal Music Publishing in Nashville. He has received numerous songwriting awards including a 1999 Country Music Award from the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers for "You Move Me" co-written with Gordon Kennedy and recorded by Garth Brooks on his album, "Sevens". Pierce Pettis also performs in "The New Appalachians" with Kate Campbell and Tom Kinnel.

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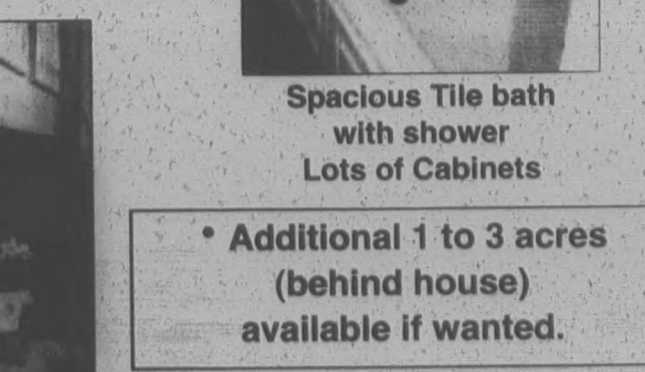
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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Elba High School Band Day set for this Saturday

Elba High School Band Day 2008 will be Saturday, April 26, on the square in downtown Elba. The day's events will begin at 9 a.m. with a performance by the band. Band Day will continue until approximately 2 p.m.

## Governor celebrates passage of new recycling law

Governor Bob Riley celebrated the passage of a new law to clean up and eliminate illegal dumps across the state and to

encourage communities to recycle during a bill signing ceremony at the State Capitol.

The new law provides a funding mechanism to clean up illegal dumps across Alabama. It also funds grants to help cities, counties and nonprofit groups start or expand recycling programs.

"All of us are fortunate to live in a truly beautiful state. Today we are taking steps to make Alabama even more beautiful. We are taking important steps toward a cleaner Alabama," Governor Riley said. "This new law will make a real difference. It will help preserve our natural resources and improve our quality of life. It will reduce the amount of waste we send to landfills and improve our environment's health. And it includes accountability provisions that require reports on our progress to reduce the volume of solid wastes."

Joining Governor Riley at the



Governor Bob Riley speaks about the merits of Alabama's new recycling law as Trey Glenn of ADEM (right) and Rep. Frank McDaniel (left) listen.

event were Representative Frank McDaniel, the sponsor of the legislation, and Trey Glenn, director of the Alabama Department of Environmental Management.

Funding to clean up the illegal dumps and increase recycling opportunities will come by adding a fee of \$1 per ton of solid waste disposed at a solid waste management facility.

## CEC annual meeting draws large crowd

A cloudy spring day, free prizes and entertainment, as well as an interest in co-op business, brought more than 4,000 people to the 2008 Covington Electric Cooperative Annual Membership meeting on April 10, at the Andalusia Kiwanis Community Center.

Greater Vision, and local group Praises Four, provided the evening's entertainment with special varieties of gospel music. Business highlights included the election of two members to the CEC board of trustees, reports on CEC's operations in 2007, and information about member services and community support provided by CEC.

James F. "Jimmy" Martin, Jr. of Enterprise and George S. "Sandy" Hammer of Samson were elected to three-year terms on the CEC board of trustees, representing Districts V and VI respectively.

W.B. "Willie" Smith, CEC's board chairman, opened the business session of the meeting. He introduced special speakers and then recognized the oldest male and female members present. Ashley McDaniel, age 96, of Andalusia was recognized as the oldest male member present and Babbie was the oldest female member present. They both received \$100 cash.

Ed Short, CEC's general manager, recognized distinguished guests and one long-time employee, Melvin Jeffcoat, who was commended for completing 20 years of service at CEC. Short then expressed appreciation to the CEC membership for their outstanding cooperation and support.

Short continued with some items of interest to members including new rate information, the impact of legislated environmental restrictions due to publicized global warming concerns and the pressing need for increased power generation.

"As we consider the need for new power plants, environmental issues, costs associated with building new power plants and the fuels to operate them, I would like to pose three questions to our elected officials which have been recommended by NRECA, our national organization in Washington," said Short.

"What is your plan to make sure we have the electricity we will need in the future? What are you doing to fully fund the research required to make emissions-free electric plants an affordable reality? Balancing electricity needs and environmental goals will be difficult. How much is all this going to increase my electric bill and what will you do to make it affordable?" Short encouraged members to remember these questions and to present them to elected officials.

Short then addressed the rate issue by explaining multiple factors impacting rates and the efforts by CEC board members to manage the upward trend in operational costs. "Today rates are high when compared to 10 years ago or even six years ago. The cost of doing business is increasing in most all areas including vehicles, fuel, and the largest expense by far—whole-sale power costs which are directly impacted by global issues. To postpone needed rate increases for security lighting and facility charges, the board decided during the last quarter of 2007 to implement a PCA (power cost adjustment) beginning with the April 2008 usage that is expected to be in the nine mill range. The PCA is expected to help stabilize the ever-increasing cost of providing service to our members."

After the business session, a 2000 Chevrolet Venture minivan and over 40 other attendance prizes were awarded. CEC members registering at the meeting received an energy efficient light bulb and other useful gifts.

A display booth was set up at the meeting to remind members about the services available from their cooperative and it also provided activities for children including face painting and electrical safety activity books. Cooperative Propane operated a display booth at the meeting that promoted sales of electric appliances at their retail stores in Andalusia and Opp. The Covington County Shiner Club operated concession stands at the meeting.

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# CITIZENS OF TOMORROW



Ezra, age 2, is the son of Eric and Emily Carley of Jack, Ala.



Kira, age 8, is the daughter of James and Leslie Starks of Elba.



Kendallyn (not pictured), age 2, and Kaeden, age 5 months, are the children of Maria and Kevin Lawford of Elba.



Gabriel, age 2, is the son of Leigh Ann and Ricardo Medina of Dothan, Ala.



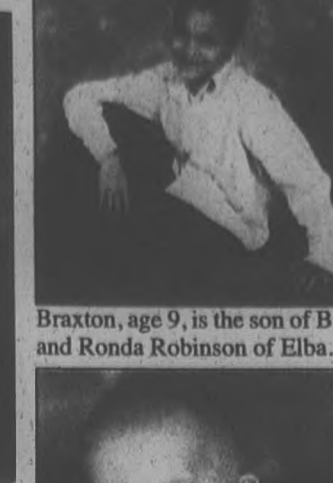
Edward John, age 2, is the son of Jerod and Courtney Jirright of New Brockton, Ala.



Kalie, age 2 weeks, is the daughter of Brandy and Daniel Davis of Elba.



Braxton, age 9, is the son of Bill and Ronda Robinson of Elba.



Erick, age 9, and John, age 6, are the sons of John Davis of Elba.



Jack, age 11 months, is the son of Ben and Laura Terrell of Elba.



Kallie, age 2, is the son of Kelecia Magwood and Antonio Latimer of Elba.



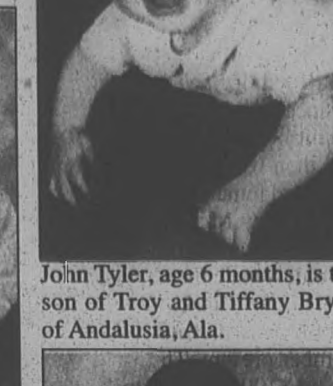
Conner, age 3, is the son of Ceretha and Lee Stricklin of Elba.



Faith, age 3, is the daughter of Phillip and Shey Adcock of Elba.



Zalie, age 2, is the daughter of Ashton and Valiece McKelvy of Elba.



John Tyler, age 6 months, is the son of Troy and Tiffany Bryan of Andalusia, Ala.



Austin, age 6 months, is the son of Summer Stricklin of Elba.



Mylia, age 5, is the daughter of Stephen and Tiffany Germany of Elba.



Damon Nelson, age 12, and Chace Nelson, age 9, are the sons of Stephanie Nelson; Breannah Pattie, age 9, is the daughter of Lance and Kathy Pattie; Jaden Paul, age 1, is the daughter of Ashley and Betsy Paul; and Ashleigh Adkinson, age 1, is the daughter of Chad and Roxanne Adkinson.



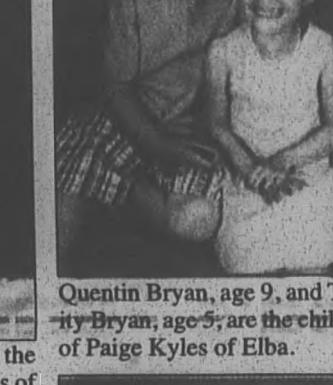
Preston, age 4, is the son of Jason and Marsha Farris of Elba.



Aalexis, age 7, and Khari, age 5, are the children of Earl and Edith Campbell of Elba.



Alyssa, age 7 1/2 months, is the daughter of Brett and Adrienne Scarbrough of Glenwood, Ala.



Jordan, age 15 months, is the son of Shanda Altork Jones of New Brockton, Ala.



Quentin Brynn, age 9, and Trinity Bryan, age 5, are the children of Paige Kyles of Elba.



Drew, age 4, is the son of Josh and Tammy Mack of Elba.



Tanner, age 5, is the son of Karen Luckenbaugh of Jack, Ala.



Natalie, age 2 1/2 years, is the daughter of Jimmy and Bertha Chandler of Elba.



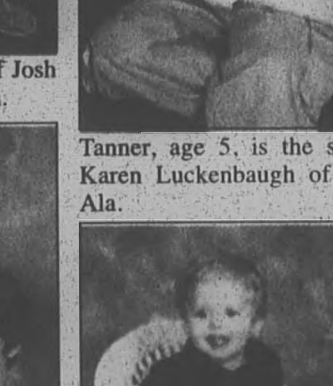
Nathan, age 6, and Ashley, age 4, are the children of Kyle and Lashell Grantham of Elba.



Riley, age 2, is the son of Jerod and Ashley Simmons of New Brockton, Ala.



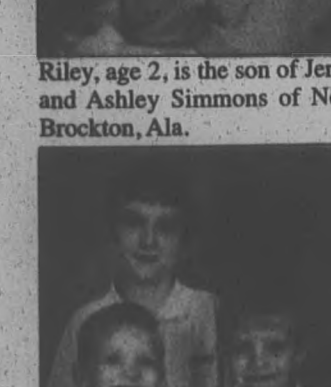
Sandra Kaye, age 10 months, is the daughter of Kevin and Shelia Fuller of Elba.



Cody, age 7, and Valarie, age 4, are the children of Joseph and Cyndi Sanders of Elba.



Austin, age 13, Chance, age 11, and Brady, age 9 months, are the sons of Glen and Kerry Johnson of Elba.



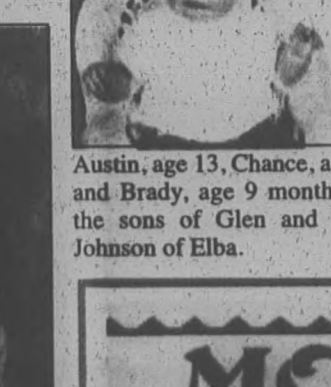
Madison, age 3, is the daughter of Chris Jones and Michelle Jones of New Brockton.



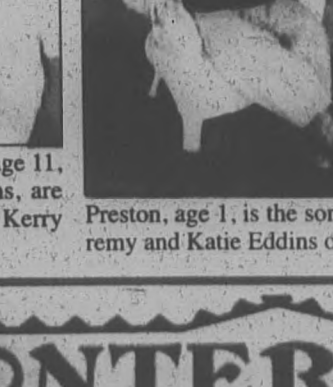
Lindsey, age 14, Garrett, age 12, Rachel, age 8, and Reagan, age 6, are the children of Dennis and Nancy Smith of Elba.



Lynsey, age 6, is the daughter of Evelyn and Michael Manning of Elba.



Preston, age 1, is the son of Jeremy and Katie Eddins of Elba.



Whit, age 3, is the son of Kelly and Kayron Shehee of Elba.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Sparks warns: Use caution when selling grain

Current high grain prices have given Alabama producers a chance to have a profitable year. As a precaution, Alabama Department of Agriculture & Industries' Commissioner Ron Sparks warns that the high and volatile grain prices can cause certain problems in the grain industry.

One such problem is the possibility of large margin calls for grain buyers after contracting

the producers' grain.

Any person buying grain from an Alabama producer and not paying for grain at the time of delivery is required to be licensed and bonded with the Alabama Department of Agriculture & Industries.

To protect themselves, producers can call the Department at 1-800-642-7761, Ext. 7223, and ask for Joe Cowart. Mr. Cowart can tell producers if

the buyer is licensed and bonded.

"The grain industry in Alabama has a lot of reputable people marketing grain throughout the state," said Sparks. "Under the current conditions, I would suggest that our grain producers be careful and knowledgeable about their potential buyers when selling their grain this year."



**BENEFITTING RELAY FOR LIFE...** Local artists have donated prints to benefit the annual Coffee County Relay For Life campaign with a goal of raising more funds to fight cancer. The prints shown above, and other items, are on display at the Elba branch of Wachovia Bank. Interested citizens may go by the bank and sign up to bid on any of the prints. Pictured with the prints are from left Kathy McCloud and Branch Manager Lindy Bailey.

## Tai Chi class to be offered at Enterprise YMCA in May

The next Beginner's class in the Taoist Tai Chi Society Internal Arts and Methods will start Saturday, May 10, at the Enterprise YMCA from 10:00-11:30 AM. The class ends August 23 and covers all 108 moves of the Tai Chi set.

Tai Chi is an ancient Chinese exercise that promotes health and relaxation. It is suitable for all ages and physical conditions.

Anyone wishing to participate in the beginner's class should arrive about 15 minutes early to register for the class. Comfortable, loose clothing and flat-soled shoes are recommended attire.

The Taoist Tai Chi Society offered the first Beginner's class at the Enterprise YMCA in the fall of 2005 and both Beginner's and Continuing instruction are now available. All

classes are taught by accredited volunteer instructors.

For more information, call 334-347-4663 or 347-9452. For information about Taoist Tai Chi, visit [www.alabama.usa.taoist.org](http://www.alabama.usa.taoist.org) or [www.taoist.org](http://www.taoist.org).



Shirley Edberg, right, looks on as Walden descendants, left to right, Jason Swann, Brenda Swann, Laura Grace Payne, and Todd Payne unveil and read the new grave marker for 2nd Lieutenant Charles R. Walden

## UDC celebrates Confederate History and Heritage Month

The General Edmond Winchester Rucker Chapter #2534 of the United Daughters of the Confederacy celebrated Confederate History and Heritage Month on Saturday, April 12, with a grave marker dedication and roll call of CSA veterans buried in Enterprise City Cemetery.

The day began with a covered dish luncheon at the Citizens Bank Community Room for chapter members and special guests.

Guest speaker Retired Major Sir Francis McGowan, spoke about the battle of Franklin and historical figure, Carrie McGavock of Canton Plantation who became known as the Angel of the South when her home was turned into a battlefield hospital. Georgia Fleming, a member of the UDC chapter, entertained the guests by performing the lyrics of her original composition entitled, "Jackson is With Us Today."

The UDC chapter presented two WWII Crosses of Military Service, two National Defense Medals and five Judah P. Benjamin civic awards.

Special guests for the luncheon included Todd Payne, his wife Megan and daughter Laura Grace who traveled from Hilton Head Island, S.C. to participate in the afternoon grave marking ceremony. Payne is a descendant of 2nd Lieutenant Charles R. Walden who served in Co. E, 49th Georgia Infantry.

## Several candidates to attend CCRC meeting

The Coffee County Republican Committee will hold its monthly meeting on May 8th at Ryan's Steakhouse. Several of the candidates in the June 3rd primary will speak, including Dr. Craig Schmedtke running for US Congress, Duncan Crow, Court of Criminal Ap-

peals and Twinkle Cavanaugh,

candidate for President of the Public Service Commission. Anyone interested in learning more about these candidates is welcome to attend.

For information please call Fay McCrary at 393-0471.

Donna Clark, wearing a period mourning costume, placed the UDC wreath by the grave. Shirley Edberg presented a replica of the 49th Georgia Infantry Flag to Laura Grace Payne, Walden's great great great grandson gave the opening prayer and Brenda Swann, great great great granddaughter, recited the poem "Confederate Memorial Day."

A roll call of the 41 known Confederate Veterans buried in the cemetery was given by members of the UDC chapter and the SCV camp, Coffee County Rangers #911.

Stephanie McIntosh recited the poem "Have Someone Play Dixie for Me" which was followed by an instrumental guitar arrangement of the song "Dixie's Land." Todd Payne gave a biography of Lieutenant Walden and explained that after the war, he moved to the Wiregrass area of Alabama where he received 160 acres under the Homestead Act.

Walden descendants, Todd Payne, Laura Grace Payne, Jason Swann and Brenda Swann unveiled the new marker.

On behalf of the United Daughters of the Confederacy, Shirley Edberg dedicated the marker saying, "May this marker be blessed. May it remind all who pause not only of the noble deeds of this Confederate soldier but of the continuing need for unselfish service."

The ceremony closed with "Tap" and a prayer by Jim Edberg, Adjutant, Coffee County Rangers Camp #911, SCV.

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## GOLF

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